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AAAS Statement from CEO Rush Holt on ARPA-E Reauthorization Act

The American Association for the Advancement of Science regards the Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy (ARPA-E) as very successful and strongly supports its continuation, in keeping with the recently introduced ARPA-E Reauthorization Act of 2017. ARPA-E is a remarkable bipartisan achievement signed into law by President George W. Bush, and has been an example of the kinds of advances in innovation and technology that arise when the federal government invests in research and development. The program has funded successful projects in areas like clean energy technology that have advanced our economic competitiveness and energy security. With sustained support, ARPA-E will continue to grow and live up to its mission of ensuring the United States remains a leader in energy and innovation.

-- Rush Holt, chief executive officer, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

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